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U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5)

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES  
DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)  
CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371

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| INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. | INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE | PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED |
| PCT/CA99/00804                | September 3, 1999         | September 4, 1998     |

TITLE OF INVENTION Gel Reduction in High Cis-1,4-Polybutadiene Production Process

APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US OSMAN, Akhtar and BARSAN, Florin

Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1.  This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2.  This is a **SECOND or SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3.  This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.
4.  The US has been elected by the expiration of 19 months from the priority date (Article 31).
5.  A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
  - a.  is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b.  has been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c.  is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6.  An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
  - a.  is attached hereto.
  - b.  has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
7.  Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
  - a.  are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b.  have been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c.  have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
  - d.  have not been made and will not be made.
8.  An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
9.  An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
10.  An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

## Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:

11.  An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
12.  An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13.  A **FIRST** preliminary amendment.
14.  A **SECOND or SUBSEQUENT** preliminary amendment.
15.  A substitute specification.
16.  A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.
17.  A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821 - 1.825.
18.  A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
19.  A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
20.  Other items or information:

Notarial Certificate of true Copy of Document (Assignment)

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To Be AssignedINTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.  
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Mo-6259/PS-104621.  The following fees are submitted:**BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492 (a) (1) - (5)):**

Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) nor international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO and International Search Report not prepared by the EPO or JPO ..... \$1000.00

International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) not paid to USPTO but International Search Report prepared by the EPO or JPO ..... \$860.00

International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) not paid to USPTO but international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO ..... \$710.00

International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) paid to USPTO but all claims did not satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) ..... \$690.00

International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) paid to USPTO and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) ..... \$100.00

**ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT =**

\$ 860.00

Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than  20  30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).

\$ 0.00

| CLAIMS                                      | NUMBER FILED | NUMBER EXTRA | RATE | \$         |
|---|--------------|--------------|------|------------|
| Total claims                                | 32           | -20 =        | 12   | × \$18.00  |
| Independent claims                          | 1            | -3 =         | 0    | × \$80.00  |
| MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable) |              |              |      | + \$270.00 |

\$ 0.00

**TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =**

\$ 1,076.00

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2. | + | \$ 0.00 |
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**SUBTOTAL =**

\$ 1,076.00

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| Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)). | \$ 0.00 |
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**TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =**

\$ 1,076.00

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| Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property | + | \$ 40.00 |
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\$ 40.00

**TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =**

\$ 1,116.00

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| Date                          | March 2, 2001   |
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| Attorney Docket No.           | Mo-6259/PS-1046 |

## I. Certification under 37 CFR 1.10 (if applicable)

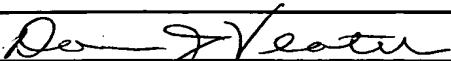
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March 2, 2001

Express Mail mailing number

Date of Deposit

I hereby certify that the application/correspondence attached hereto is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.



Signature of person mailing correspondence

Donna J. Veatch

Typed or printed name of person mailing correspondence

II.  New International Application

TITLE Gel Reduction in High C1a-1,4-Polybutadiene Production Process

Earliest priority date  
(Day/Mon/Year)

(4/09/98)

**SCREENING DISCLOSURE INFORMATION:** In order to assist in screening the accompanying international application for purposes of determining whether a license for foreign transmittal should and could be granted and for other purposes, the following information is supplied. (Note: check as many boxes as apply):

- A.  The invention disclosed was not made in the United States.
- B.  There is no prior U.S. application relating to this invention.
- C.  The following prior U.S. application(s) contain subject matter which is related to the invention disclosed in the attached international application. (NOTE: priority to these applications may or may not be claimed on form PCT/RO/101 (Request) and this listing does not constitute a claim for priority.)

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- D.  The present international application  contains additional subject matter not found in the prior U.S. application(s) identified in paragraph C. above. The additional subject matter is found on pages  and  **DOES NOT ALTER**  **MIGHT BE CONSIDERED TO ALTER** the general nature of the invention in a manner which would require the U.S. application to have been made available for inspection by the appropriate defense agencies under 35 U.S.C. 181 and 37 CFR 5.1. See 37 CFR 5.15

III.  A Response to an Invitation from the RO/US. The following document(s) is(are) enclosed:

- A.  A Request for An Extension of Time to File a Response
- B.  A Power of Attorney (General or Regular)
- C.  Replacement pages:

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|-------|-----------------------------|-------|-----------------|
| pages | of the request (PCT/RO/101) | pages | of the figures  |
| pages | of the description          | pages | of the abstract |
| pages | of the claims               |       |                 |

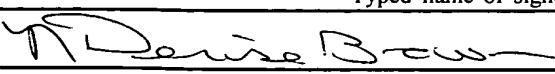
- D.  Submission of Priority Documents

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| Priority document | Priority document |
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- E.  Fees as specified on attached Fee Calculation sheet form PCT/RO/101 annex

IV.  A Request for Rectification under PCT 91     A Petition     A Sequence Listing DisketteV.  Other (please specify): Preliminary Amendment

The person  
signing this  
form is the:

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|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant                                      | N. Denise Brown   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Attorney/Agent (Reg. No.)<br>36,097 | Typed name of signer  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Common Representative                          | <br>Signature |